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## Dionne Appointed Local Cancer Crusade Chairman



FRANCIS H. DIONNE

Mr. Francis H. Dionne of 1370 Worcester St., Indian Orchard, will serve as 1970 Cancer Crusade chairman in Agawam and Feeding Hills. Mr. Dionne selected Mr. Gary W. Peterson of Silver St., Granville, to serve as co-chairman, it was announced today by Dean Cushing, chairman of the Massachusetts Cancer Crusade.

Kick-off for this year's Crusade will be held Sunday night, March 22, at 7:30 with an exhibition at the Riverside Rollaway by the

### "FAT" Rock Group Comes To AHS

The rock group "FAT" has been engaged to play a concert-dance in the Agawam High School gym. The event is sponsored by the Junior Class and will be held Thursday evening, the 26th, from 8 to 11:30.

Completing the program will be the folk-rock soloist, Jim Monahan. A light show is also planned to add to the mode of the event.

A special rate is being offered to Agawam High School graduates at \$1.50. Regular admission will be \$1.75.

### H.C.I.L. Meeting Scheduled March 23

The three groups of Agawam of the Hampden County Improvement League will meet on Monday, March 23 at 8 o'clock at the Hampden County Improvement Building.

The program will be a talk given by Mrs. Nancy Larsen. The topic will be The Retired Mother Syndrome.

Everyone is welcome to come.

### Senior Center Card Parties To Continue

The weekly card parties conducted at the Senior Center on Friday afternoons will continue through the spring and summer.

Andrew Gallano, Council Chairman, announced that Mrs. Justin Hyland has volunteered to conduct the parties and act as hostess during March and April.

All Senior Citizens are invited to attend. Refreshments will be served and prizes will be awarded.

## Council On Aging Supports Additional Housing For Elderly

The Agawam Council on Aging has agreed to lend its support to the local Housing Authority's intention to build an additional Housing Project for Elderly Citizens.

Andrew C. Gallano, Council Chairman stated, "At the last regular meeting of the Council, it was voted to support and assist the Housing Authority in the passage of article 123 in the Town Meeting Warrant, which calls on the Town to approve the construction of a new housing development for the elderly."

It is expected that in 1970 the legislature will vote to pledge the state's credit to guarantee 260 million dollars for housing and Agawam should be in a position to apply for funds in order to meet the increased demands of the elderly for housing.

Low cost income housing is provided for persons 65 years of age or over, with an income not exceeding \$2500 for an individual or \$3000 for a couple, who are in need of good housing.

## St. Patrick's Day Show Friday Night

Who will Miss Colleen be?? The committee working on the annual St. Patrick's Day show, sponsored by St. John the Evangelist Guild invite residents of Agawam to come see Friday's show at Agawam High School at 8 p.m. Sixteen girls are in competition for the Colleen title. Tickets are available at the box office with children's tickets half price.

Mrs. Thomas Danford, show chairman, announced today that holders of blue council on aging cards may attend the show at half price. Rev. Walter J. Joyce and Rev. Albert Blanchard are honorary chairmen. Mrs. George Schwein is co-chairman, with Mrs. Richard Jagadowski.

Girls seeking the Colleen title are: Linda Lee Allen, Terry Beaulieu, Donna Campbell, Kathleen Carny, Diane Cesan, Ellen Daley, Eileen Foley, Elaine Frighetto, Dorothy Green, Kristin Holve, Janice Legrand, Aprille Query, Debra Rachele, Jacqueline and Kathryn Ryer and Paula Tatro. Trophies will be presented to 3rd, 2nd and 1st runner-ups. A Miss Congeniality

award will be presented to the girl chosen by the show chairman as having worked the best with the other girls during the two months of rehearsals and co-operated best with the committee.

Jamie Herlihy who has been singing in St. John's shows since she was 3 years old will sing several selections. Mrs. Ernest McLean appears in a comedy skit. Many people are featured in the

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### Women's Club Meeting March 23

Astrologer Frances Sakorian will present "The Stars and You: How the Stars and Planets Affect Our Daily Lives and Destinies" at the March 23rd meeting of the Agawam Women's Club at 8 p.m. in the Captain Charles Leonard House.

A native of Arlington, Mass., Astrologer Sakorian is founder of the New England Astrology Association and is a frequent lecturer on radio and television. Audience participation will be a highlight of the presentation.

President's Night will be observed with 14th District Federated Club Presidents as special guests of the evening.

The art committee will present a display of mosaics by Agawam High School students.

Mrs. William Thorpe will give the invocation. Hostess for the evening is Mrs. Richard August.

## Town Manager Committee Reviews Alternative Plans

The Town Manager Committee has found that there are several alternative forms of government which would be better suited to meet the present and future needs of the Town of Agawam. Of the various plans, the ones that appear to be the most attractive are the Town Manager, the

First Selectman or a change to city status.

The Town Manager plan would involve the hiring of a full-time professional administrator to be responsible for most of the administrative functions of the Town and to supervise and coordinate various Town agencies, including the Planning Board, the Department of Public Works, the Board of Assessors, Town Treasurer, and Town Clerk. This form of government would retain the Town Meeting with all its present powers as well as a Board of Selectmen, who would choose the Town Manager and act as his advisors.

A second possibility is the First Selectman form which would retain the Town Meeting and the Board of Selectmen, but make one of the Selectmen a full-time administrator with greatly increased authority. Such a change would also involve a reorganization of many Town agencies so

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### Hobby Day Slated At Junior Grange

Community Junior Grange #105 will hold a regular meeting at the Grange Home, Saturday, March 21st at 2 o'clock. During the business meeting, conducted by Pauline Sosnowich, master, a "Show and Tell" program of hobbies and talents will be presented.

All members are requested to bring a hobby and demonstrate some talent, so come prepared. The craft and contest programs for the year will be discussed.

Following the meeting some Easter Baskets will be prepared for elderly and shut-in Grange members. All juniors may bring an item or two for the basket, preferably not all candy. Refreshments are in charge of Joan Werner and Celeste Gallucci.

### Featured Soloist



MISS JAMIE HERLIHY

Miss Jamie Herlihy will be a featured soloist in the St. John's musical show "A Bit Of Old Ireland" Friday evening at 8 in the Agawam High School auditorium.

Miss Herlihy has been singing in St. John's shows since she was three years old. She is well known throughout Western New England having appeared in numerous variety shows, on TV and radio and has just completed a tour of Puerto Rico. Jamie has entertained at Chelsea Navy Base and for the troops at Loring Air Force Base, Maine.

A junior at Classical High School, Jamie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James B. Herlihy of Dana St., Springfield.

### Democratic Women On Wheels Sponsor Essay Contest

The Democratic Women on Wheels of Massachusetts are offering two Scholarship Awards of Two Hundred Dollars each to the winners of their essay contest on: THE STATUS OF WOMEN IN GOVERNMENT. Details of the contest have been sent to all of the public, parochial, and private high schools in the state. The contest is open to all senior high school girls. The deadline for the essays is April 1st with the awards being presented at the Organization's Annual Meeting on May 2nd.

Anyone requesting information regarding the contest may contact Mrs. Marcel Bedard, 371 South Westfield St., Feeding Hills, 734-8621.

### Teens Swing Friday At The Carousel

The Agawam Teen Center will swing into action on Friday night, March 20, at 8.

Music will be provided by a well known Springfield group, "Destinys' Defeat," which has won many awards for performing. Tickets will be sold at the door, and the Teen Committee is hoping for another large turnout.

All large dances, are open to all teens in the area.

The Teen Building Committee has been working daily, in an effort to complete the lounge for for Spring Vacation in April. Along with the opening of the lounge in April, it is hoped that a nationally known group be brought in for a Dance and Rock Concert on Monday night, April 20.

Applications are now being accepted by Joseph Della-Guistina, Jr., for membership in the Lounge, which will be restricted to Agawam Teens only.

As in the past, all dances are completely planned by the Teen Committee, under the supervision of Richard Barile, owner of the Carousel, and Jack Kunasek, Director of the Agawam Parks and Recreation Dept.

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## CHURCH NEWS

### AGAWAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

459 Mill Street, Agawam  
Rev. Ronald G. Oakland,  
Minister  
Mrs. Richard Fearn, Organist  
Mrs. Marshall Keyes,  
Sanctuary Choir Director  
Mrs. Kenneth Alexander,  
Jr. Youth Choir Director  
Sunday — 9:30 a.m. Service of  
worship. Nursery for infants.  
Church School through Senior  
High; 10:30 — Coffee hour in  
Fellowship Hall; 6:30 p.m. — Jun-  
ior and Senior Youth Fellowship.

### BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Benjamin Lockhart, Pastor  
Mrs. Frank Merchant,  
Organist and Choir Director  
Mrs. Barbara Briggs,  
Church Secretary

THURSDAY: 1:30 p.m. The  
Ella Bond Circle meet at home of  
Mrs. Charlotte Duncombe in the  
Colonial Village; 7:30 p.m. Sen-  
ior Choir rehearse at church;  
7:45 p.m. Group 6 Lenten meet-  
ing in church parlor.

SUNDAY: 9:30 a.m. Morning  
Worship — Rev. Lockhart will  
preach at the service. . . Senior  
Choir will sing; 10:30 a.m. Church  
School; 4 p.m. Pastor's Class  
meet in study; 5 p.m. Bell Choir  
rehearse at church; 6 p.m. Senior  
and Junior High BYF's meet at  
church.

TUESDAY: 6:30 p.m. Melody  
Choir rehearse at church.

WEDNESDAY: 10 a.m. to 4  
p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. . . Trading  
Post open.

### CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. Floyd C. Bryan, Minister  
Mrs. Andrew Toussaint,  
Minister of Music  
Mrs. Lewis Moors,  
Church Secretary

Thursday — 7:30 p.m. Prayer  
Group meeting.

Friday — 7 p.m. Boy Scout  
meeting; 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary

Choir rehearsal.  
Saturday — 9:30 a.m. Youth  
Choir rehearsal.  
Sunday — 9:30 a.m. Church  
School, 5th thru 12th Grade;  
10:30 a.m. Church School, Nur-  
sery thru 4th Grade and Church  
at Morning Worship—Palm Sun-  
day — Mr. Bryan preaching; 6  
p.m. Junior United Youth Group;  
7 p.m. Senior United Youth  
Group; 6:30 p.m. Senior Choir  
rehearsal; 6:30 p.m. Merriweds'  
Supper meeting.

### FEEDING HILLS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

21 North Westfield St.  
Rev. Robert F. Berkey,  
Interim Minister  
Randall L. Nofall, Organist  
Cynthia A. Mezer, Choir Director  
Thursday — 7 p.m. Choir re-  
hearsal.

Friday — 6:30 p.m. Family  
covered dish supper.

Sunday — Palm Sunday wor-  
ship with reception of new mem-  
bers into the fellowship . . . bap-  
tism of infants . . . followed by  
coffee hour.

### ST. DAVID'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Rev. John S. Tyler, Vicar

Palm Sunday services — 8 a.m.  
& 10 a.m. Festival service; 7  
p.m. The Blessing and distribu-  
tion of Palms to worshippers.

Holy Week services — Mon-  
day, 9 a.m.-7:30 p.m.; Tuesday,  
9 a.m.-7:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 9  
a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Maundy Thursday — 9 a.m.-  
7:30 p.m.

Good Friday — 9 a.m.-12 noon  
to 3 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.

Holy Saturday — 4 p.m.-7:30  
p.m.

Easter Day services — 7 a.m.  
& 9 a.m.-11 a.m.

February 27, 1807 — Henry  
Wadsworth Longfellow born at  
Portland, Maine.

### SACRED HEART CHURCH

FEEDING HILLS

Rev. George Linse, C.S.S.

Rev. James Shea, C.S.S.

Saturday — 4:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Confessions.

Saturday evening Mass at 6

o'clock.

Sunday — 6:45, 8, 9:15, 11:30

a. m. Masses.

Tuesday — 7:30 p.m. Miraculous

Medal Novena Devotions.

Lenten Mass Schedule

Monday thru Saturday — 7

a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

ST. ANTHONY

OF PADUA CHURCH

Rev. Samuel Fayad, C.S.S.,

Rev. Joseph Mantia, C.S.S.

Saturday — 4 to 5 p.m. and 7:30

to 8:30 p.m. confessions.

Saturday evening Mass at 6

o'clock.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sundays — 7, 8:30, 10:30 a.m.

and 5:30 p.m.

Week days — 7 a.m.

Holy days — 7 and 9 a.m., 5:30

and 7:30 p.m.

Tuesdays — 7:30 p.m. St. An-

thony Devotions.

Friday — 7:30 p.m., Stations

of the Cross.

ST. JOHN

THE EVANGELIST

CHURCH

Rev. Walter J. Joyce

Rev. Albert Blanchard

Saturday — 9 a.m., CCD class-

es for Grades 1-6 at the Junior

High School.

Confessions — 4-5 and 8-9 p.m.

Evening Mass at 5.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday — 6:45, 8, 9:15, 10:30,

11:45 a.m.

Monday — 7 p.m., CCD classes

for Grades 7-12.

Tuesday — 5:30 p.m., Mass fol-

lowed by Miraculous Medal No-

vena.

Wednesday — 7:30 p.m., fol-

lowed by Lenten Devotions. No

5:30 p.m. Mass today.

ST. THERESA OF

INFANT JESUS

CHURCH

Rev. Paul Bernard

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass — 7 a.m.

Friday — 7:30 p.m., Mass.

Saturday — 8 a.m. Mass — 4:30

and 7:30 Confessions.

Sunday — 7, 9 and 11 a.m.

Mass.

Monday thru Saturday — 7:30

Mass every evening confessions

before and after Mass.

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currency, but women get their

hands on it.

## Junior High School Third Term Honor Roll Announced

Mr. Charles Kistner, principal,  
of Agawam Junior High School  
at a recent assembly announced  
the honor roll for the third term.  
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SEVENTH GRADE

MAXIMUM: Anthony Cincot-  
ta, Susan Kulas, Colleen Lancas-  
ter, Jeffrey Orr, Andrew Paleolo-  
gopoulos, Olga Rodrigues, Joseph  
Rolland, Kathy Saliba and Rich-  
ard Stefanik.

GENERAL: Kathryn Ayre,  
Margery Barnes, Kim Bassani,  
Mark Benedict, Eric Brown,  
Mary Buynicki, Raymond Cares-  
tia, Leigh Catchepaugh, Camille  
Cesan, Marie Charest, John Cirilo,  
John Conte, Edwin Cook, Ste-  
ven Darnell, Martin Davilli, Ce-  
leste DiPietro, Deborah Faucette,  
William Gamelli, Theodore Gra-  
ziano, Allen Greene, Alan Hough-  
taling, Joan Hoy, Donna Hulse,  
Susan Kaminski, Kathryn Kana,  
Daniel Karakla, Ronald Kelley,  
David Kerr, Gary Kerr, Lori  
King, Julie Kisielewski, Rob-  
ert Klimaj Jonathan Kwiat,  
Wayne LaBranche, Joan Leary,  
Linda Longhi, Sally Lynch,  
Matthew Mason, Sheryl Metz-  
ger, Nancy Morin, Alexan-  
der Newman, Theresa Nieroda,  
Linda Nunziato, James O'Brien,  
Lisa Pineo, Cedric Pisegna, Mar-  
sha Prior, James Quill, Joann  
Quinn, T. Patrick Riley, Dennis  
Roberts, Gary Sypteras, Jacque-  
line Taupier, David Theodorow-  
icz, Wayne Thresher, Clemens  
Tinnemeyer, Nancy Jo Votzakis,  
Kelly Ward, Daniel Williams,  
Marie Withee and Wanda  
Wright.

MAXIMUM: Karen Black-  
wood, Clarine Carey, Brian Col-  
by, Brenda Devine, Patti Haynes,  
Tony Mowrer and Deborah Reg-  
nier.

GENERAL: Ronald Ashton,  
Donna Bailey, Stephen Bailey,  
Norma Baillie, Jane Baldiga,

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Mrs. Hazel Prior, Choir Director

Mrs. John MacPherson, Organist

Mrs. Richard Orr,

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SUNDAY, 10 a.m. — Morning

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Christ, the King" and Sunday

School Classes; 11 a.m. — Coffee

Hour in honor of new members;

2 p.m. — Movies for Children in

the Community; 6 p.m. — Final

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Sunday — 9 a.m. Bible classes

for all ages; 10 a.m. Morning

Worship service; 6 p.m. Evening

Worship.

Thursday — 7 p.m. Bible Study

— visitors are welcome.

Maureen Barry, Stephen Bennett,  
Denise Benoit, Joanne Bigda, Col-  
leen Blakesley, Denise Boisson-  
ault, Robert Borgatti, Debra Bou-  
chard, Virginia Burr, Jan Can-  
narella, Anthony Chicklas, Su-  
sanne Chlastawa, Jose Conti, An-  
thony D'Ambrosio, Beth De-  
Forge, Mark DeForge, Richard  
Donais, Joanne Draghetti, David  
Duda, Lydia Dymon, Judy Fay-  
reau, Ellen Ferrero, Karen Fil-  
iault, Mary Gentile, Stephen  
Gould, Deena Grant, Elaine Greg-  
ory, Sandra Hall, Christine  
Hamel, Denise Hannon, Edward  
Hope, Leonard Horniak, Jill  
Johnson, Elizabeth Kajka, Carole  
Kane, Teresa Kelly, Daniel Lun-  
den, Diane Mallory, Marc Man-  
na, Anthony Mercadante, Dean  
Mercadante, Michael Plasse,  
Leonard Rising, Virginia Rob-  
erts, Richard Simonds, Marcia  
Smith, Andrew Soffen, Michael  
Sopet, Elizabeth Sosnowich, Wil-  
liam Stone, Harold Stuart, Deb-  
orah L. Taylor, Lisa Trimboli,  
Lisa Turowsky, Susan Wheeler  
and Deborah White.



Mario Sakellis,  
Executive Director

ACTIVITIES

Thursday, 8 p.m. — Board of

Directors meeting in the "Y"

activities room.

Friday — There will be a fami-

ly night special at the West

Springfield "Y."

Saturday from 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

— At the West Springfield "Y"

there will be testing for all boys

and girls who are enrolled in the

Spring swimming instruction

classes starting March 28th.

A special meeting of all the

Division Leaders of the "Y" mem-

bership drive will be held on

Wednesday, March 25th at 7 p.m.

at Granger School.

The Agawam "Y" annual

smorgasbord will be held this

year on Saturday, April 18, at

the Junior High Cafeteria.

SEWING CLASSES

Another 8 weeks of beginning

sewing classes for girls, grades

5 and 6, will be offered starting

April 1st at 6:30 p.m. This pro-

gram was started during the win-

ter and has had much demand.

Sign ups for these classes are now

being taken and are open only to

"Y" basic members.

Advanced Course Offered

For the girls who took the first

8 weeks of lessons, there will be

another 8 weeks starting March

30th. This will be an advanced

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Estate Office)—Hours 12 noon to 9 a.m. Monday thru Fri., 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Sat. & Sun.



## Now We Understand

Some time ago, as a candidate for the office of Selectman, I commented on the unsightliness of existing conditions along our byways and took particular exception to the housekeeping at garage and service stations.

I can't say that conditions have improved appreciably but that doesn't mean that we have stopped trying. Policing a problem such as this is a real headache. We cannot afford manpower in the zoning enforcement office to make daily routine checks. There are many more important chores to be done. Neither can administration expect members of our Police Department to spend a part of their shift checking legal car registrations at gas stations. Since the conditions in each station might change on a daily basis we can only depend on each proprietor doing his fair share to live within the law.

Gas stations are intended in the zoning law as a place of automotive service for local residents. They must be licensed with the Selectmen to store gasoline. They just have an "occupancy permit" from the Building Inspector to use their grounds and building further they may have but one unregistered vehicle on the premises. They may not repair nor store parts out of doors. They may not make major repairs nor do auto body work.

What, though, actually does persist in creating a constant nuisance. I assume in the first place there are too many of them. Therefore competition forces them to survive on other than mere gas service income. Remember their proprietorship represents an investment and perhaps must produce a living income for at least one family per station. The owners would contend that they are forced into other activities to make ends meet. So what does happen? They begin to do garage work of an intensive nature. Because of limited quarters partially completed repair jobs awaiting the procurement of parts are parked out of doors for extended periods.

Then there is the repair job that has been completed but the bill hasn't been paid by the owner and the repairman won't relinquish it until payment is made. Next there is the friend of the proprietor and said friend has an old car he wants to sell either in whole or for stripped parts. Some stations owners have in the past been granted "used car" licenses for two or more cars. If you add these possibilities you now have a service station which around the clock could house as many as eight to ten vehicles.

Your Selectmen have personally (on one occasion it was at 12:30 a.m., after a Monday meeting) and with the Police Department inspected some of these areas. We found as many as nine unregistered vehicles and in one case two trucks used for snow plowing each with only one of the same number plates. There seems always to be a forsaken truck filled with junk in gas station

yards. The sad part about it all is that these stations are located on choice and central spots. In total they are just about the biggest eyesore in our town and our poorest advertisement.

Be it as it may, gas stations must conform to the law. Your administration didn't write these laws but they are obligated with the responsibility of enforcement. We recently met with a large gasoline distributor and advised that lack of conformity at once would mean loss of right to operate.

This was a serious charge and resulted in the removal of the operator. We don't relish this type of enforcement but repeated failure to comply gives us no alternative. As time allows more charges will be brought against your favorite gas station if it's operator infracts.

With Spring just about here and Spring cleanup at our finger tips, why don't you plead too, when you "fill up" again at your local station, with the man who helps to keep you going, that he holds the big key to the cleanliness and presentability of our Town. Perhaps with reason he will see it your way and mine.

Sincerely,  
George L. Reynolds, Selectman.

## St. Patrick's . . .

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show, including, Robert Griffen, Herman Henry, Art Kelliher, Anna Parente, Mary Campbell, Erin School of Dance, Lovely ladies of St. John's Guild, St. John's CYO, Mrs. Sally Lowell and the Elementary Concert Band, Midnight Hour band, Donna and Linda Campbell, Pat Leary and Kathleen Carny. Fred Desparlais is show accompanist with Buddy Baker on the drums and Al Baggetta on guitar.

For a night of good Irish music which will keep your toe stepping, and an exciting interlude of colleens, be sure to be present Friday night. The Colleen and 1st and 2nd runner-up will appear Sunday in the Holyoke St. Patrick's Day parade on the Agawam Jaycee parade float.

Doctor: "Have you been living a normal life?"

Patient: "Absolutely."

Doctor: "Well, you'll have to cut it out for a while."

The regular meeting of the JFK Council, Knights of Columbus will meet tonight at 8 p.m. at the Council home on South St., Agawam.

## Dionne Appointed . . .

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Banking. He served as co-chairman and treasurer of the 1969 Agawam Cancer Crusade. Mr. Dionne is a graduate of Cathedral High School and the Andover Institute of Business and



GARY PETERSON

the Lee Institute of Realty. He also attended the Adjuant General School of Finance in Indianapolis, and AIC & WNE Colleges.

Mr. Peterson is manager of the Agawam office of Westfield Savings Bank. He is married to the former Nancy Wackerbarth of Granville. Mr. Peterson is a graduate of Westfield High School, an Air Force veteran serving in the office of the staff judge advocate in the U. S. and Turkey. He joined Westfield Savings Bank in 1969, and was recently made manager of the Agawam Branch.

All proceeds of this event will be donated to the Agawam Chapter of the American Cancer Society, and present to accept the donation will be Mr. Richard Christman, Western Mass. Director of the American Cancer Society.

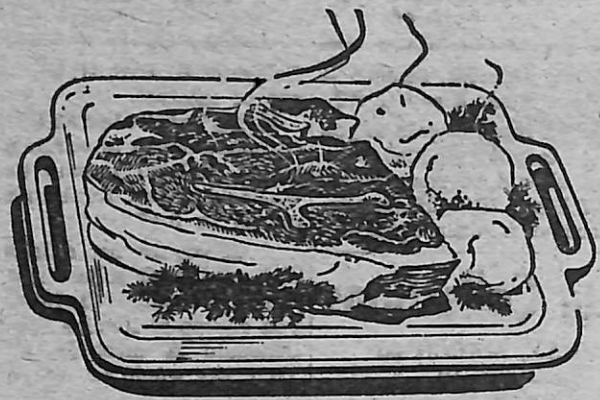
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## Taxpayers Ask IRS

Q. If my interest income is \$100 or less, must I report it?

A. Yes. All interest paid to you or credited to your account is income and should be reported on line 13 of Form 1040. If your interest income is over \$100, use

Schedule B, Part II, to list payers of interest.

Q. My income is over \$5000 and consisted solely of earnings from which Federal income tax was withheld. What forms am I required to file?

A. If you are not claiming special credits or adjustments, you file only Form 1040. However, if you choose to itemize deductions, Schedule A must be attached. Your tax would be computed on Schedule T.

Q. What steps can I take to ensure the prompt processing of my return?

A. Here are a few steps that will ensure prompt processing:

- (1) Use the pre-addressed label on the Form 1040 you file. Make corrections on the label if needed;
- (2) Print or write legibly;
- (3) Attach Copy B of all Forms W-2 to the back of Form 1040;
- (4) Be sure that your return is complete and you have attached schedules to meet your individual situation;
- (5) Check your mathematics to avoid errors;
- (6) Sign the return. If you are filing jointly, both husband and wife must sign; and
- (7) Mail your return to the proper Internal Revenue Service Center address.

Q. Because of the nature of the illness of my child, it is necessary that we have a full time nurse with her during the day. Are we permitted to take her wages as a medical deduction on our return?

A. The amount you paid for nursing services will be deductible as a medical expense if you itemize your deductions and providing the nurse did not perform household duties. If she performed some household duties, that portion of her pay is not considered a medical expense and is not deductible.

Q. I am a salesman and have an expense account to cover the traveling I do for my company. How do I treat this when preparing my tax return?

A. Generally, reimbursements and allowances received for expenses incurred in connection with your employment must be included in income. However, if you are required to account to your employer for your expenses and your reimbursement does not exceed these expenses, then you do not have to report this on your income tax return. If you account to your employer and your reimbursement exceeds your expenses, then the excess must be reported on your return. If your allowable expenses exceed your reimbursements, report the reimbursements as income but also deduct the expenses.

Q. We had a child that was born in 1969 but died a few minutes after birth. Can we claim a full \$600 exemption for the child?

A. Yes, so long as your child was born alive, you may claim the full \$600 exemption for the year 1969. This is true even though the child may have only lived momentarily. However, an ex-

emption may not be claimed for a stillborn child.

Q. How much can a person earn and still be claimed as a dependent?

A. Generally, a person cannot be claimed as a dependent if his gross income is \$600 or more. The only exception is that your child or stepchild who is under the age of 19, or is a full time student may be claimed as a dependent regardless of his earnings as long as you provided more than one-half of his total support for 1969.

## Round The Town



By Ann Nael  
phone ST 8-8996

The U. S. Bare Bow Archery Association, Inc., re-elected William (Bill) Chiba, president, at their annual meeting held at the Hamilton Rod and Gun Club, Sturbridge, Mass. Bill resides on North Westfield St., Feeding Hills, with wife, Edythe, is a charter member of the Agawam Bowmen Club and the Outdoor Editor for Sportsmen's Corner for the Agawam Independent Newspaper.

State House, Boston—Edward William Schmidt, 116 Silver St., Agawam, has been reappointed as a Notary Public and confirmed by the Executive Council, Secretary of State John F. X. Davoren said today.

The name of the nominee was submitted to the Council by Acting Gov. Francis W. Sargent. The term is for seven years.

Last Wednesday evening the Agawam Historical Association held a joint meeting with the Ramapogue Historical Society of West Springfield. More than 80 members attended the program that began at 7:30 at the Capt. Charles Leonard House.

Guest speaker for the evening was Mr. Kenneth DeCelle of Springfield. He is a Senior Chief Petty Officer stationed at the Navy Recruiting Training Station in Springfield.

## To Be June Bride



PATRICIA M. CAPITANIO

Mr. and Mrs. Francis G. Capitanio of 130 Leonard St., Agawam, announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Patricia Mary, to Mr. William Edward Gregory, son of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Gregory of 542 North Circle, Bethlehem, Pa.

Miss Capitanio is a graduate of Agawam High School. She is presently attending Western New England College and will graduate in June.

Mr. Gregory is a graduate of Liberty High School in Bethlehem, and a graduate of Western New England College. He is now employed by Star Markets of Boston.

The wedding date is set for June 13.



March 23

to

March 26

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### SENIOR HIGH

Monday: Macaroni and cheese, buttered green beans, bread/butter, fruit cocktail, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, hamburger on roll, potato chips, buttered peas/carrots, peanut butter sandwich, peanut butter cookies, milk.

Wednesday: Chicken or turkey salad roll, French fries, garden salad w/tomato and spinach greens, peanut butter sandwich, apple crisp, milk.

Thursday: Juice, meat ball grinder, cabbage/carrot slaw, peanut butter sandwich, pear half, milk.

### JUNIOR HIGH

Monday: Juice, sloppy Joe on bun, cabbage/carrot salad, peanut butter sandwich, apple sauce, milk.

Tuesday: Toasted ham/cheese roll, potato chips, buttered carrots, butter cake w/chocolate sauce, milk.

Wednesday: Grilled frankfort on roll, homemade baked beans, cabbage/carrot salad, butter-scotch pudding, milk.

Thursday: Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes, buttered broccoli, bread/butter, jello w/whipped topping, milk.

### DANAHY

Monday: Juice, frankfort on roll, mixed vegetables, prune cake, milk.

Tuesday: Tomato soup w/rice and vegetables, bologna or peanut butter sandwich, fresh fruit, peanut butter fudge, milk.

Wednesday: Macaroni in tomato meat sauce, bread/butter, green beans, pears, milk.

Thursday: Juice, hamburger in gravy, mashed potatoes, hot rolls, spinach, ice cream, milk.

### GRANGER

Monday: Shell macaroni with meat tomato sauce, green beans, bread/butter, pineapple, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, hamburger on

buttered roll, relish, catsup, cheese cube, whole kernel corn, apricots, milk.

Wednesday: Pizza with cheese tomato sauce, peanut butter sandwich, mixed vegetables, apple, milk.

Thursday: Juice, frankfort on buttered bun, relish, mustard, potato chips, diced carrots, jelly donut, milk.

### PEIRCE

Monday: Pizzaburgers, buttered kernel corn, peanut butter sandwich, spicy apple slices, milk.

Tuesday: Beef pot pie w/potato topping, buttered leaf spinach, cheese or peanut butter sandwich, vanilla puddingw/fruit topping, milk.

Wednesday: Scalloped potatoes, baked luncheon meat, buttered peas/carrots, hot cheese muffins, peanut butter sandwich, fresh apple, milk.

Thursday: Tangerine juice, oven fried chicken, whipped potatoes, bread/butter, buttered mixed vegetables, ice cream bar, milk.

### PHELPS

Monday: Chicken vegetable soup, ham salad sandwiches, peanut butter cookie, fruit, milk.

Tuesday: Hamburg on roll, relish, onions, catsup, buttered carrots, potato chips, pears, milk.

Wednesday: Chicken in gravy, mashed potatoes, spinach, bread/butter, chocolate bar, milk.

Thursday: Hamburg gravy, mashed potatoes, peas/carrots, bread/butter, cake, milk.

### ROBINSON

Monday: Tomato soup with crackers, peanut butter sandwich, celery/carrot sticks, fresh fruit with cookies, milk.

Tuesday: Oven baked chicken, mashed potatoes, buttered broccoli, bread/butter, fruited jello w/topping, milk.

Wednesday: Macaroni with tomato meat sauce, buttered green beans, bread/butter, applesauce, milk.

Thursday: Orange juice, hamburger on buttered roll, mixed vegetables, potato chips, fudgicle, milk.

### SOUTH

Monday: Meat ball grinder w/spaghetti sauce, cheese sticks, buttered carrots, peanut butter on rye, fruit cup, milk.

Tuesday: Citrus juice, chicken noodle soup w/diced carrots, grilled cheese on rye, celery sticks, fudge squares, milk.

Wednesday: Hamburg gravy on mashed potatoes, buttered spinach, peanut butter sandwich, knobby apple cake square, milk.

Thursday: Steamed franks on buttered roll, cheese sticks, lettuce and tomato salad w/French dressing, applesauce, milk.

## F. Hills Church Plans Family Night Mar. 20

The Feeding Hills Congregational Church will hold a Family Night program on Friday, March 20. Each family is being asked to bring a salad or a main dish for the covered dish supper which will begin at 6:30.

Following the supper the Jazz Melodians, under the direction of Mr. John Maly, will provide the entertainment.

Make your reservations by March 15th with Mrs. Homer Allen, 734-8842 if you have not been contacted by a Church School teacher. Members and guests are invited to attend.

Skeptic (after listening to several fish stories at the club): "And what about your catches, Brown? Haven't you caught any worth mentioning?"

Brown: "No. Last one I caught was too small to take home so two men helped me throw it back in the lake."



## Town Manager . . .

(Continued From Page 1)

that they would be brought under the direct supervision of the First Selectman.

Thirdly, the Town has reached a size where it may be appropriate to consider becoming a city and shifting to one of the forms of city government which usually involves electing a Mayor and City Council. It would also be possible to hire a professional City Manager under such an arrangement, which would be similar to the Town Manager Plan.

Any of these methods would be an improvement over the existing system because they offer professional administration, centralized authority, and a more efficient and streamlined operation. In addition, because of the ability to better manage and coordinate Town purchasing and to more closely supervise the preparation of the Annual Town Budget, significant operating economies might well be achieved which would be favorably reflected in the tax rate.

Under the Home Rule Amendment adopted by the Massachusetts Legislature in November, 1966, only the Town itself can make whatever changes may be desired in its form of government. The procedure involves the establishment of a Charter Commission elected by the voters to study various forms of government which may be appropriate, to ultimately propose the selection of one of those forms, to draft a proposed new Charter for the Town and to submit the proposed Charter to the electorate for approval. The Charter Commission studied the matter deeply for nearly a year before submitting its recommendations to the voters and is required to hold public hearings before any specific recommendations are made. The establishment of a Charter Commission does not necessarily mean that a new form of government will be instituted because one year after the Commission has been elected, the voters have a chance to determine whether or not to accept its recommendations.

The Town Manager Committee believes that a Charter Commission should be established as soon as possible, but will not recommend the selection of any particular form of government because they believe that only the Charter Commission should make such recommendations. However, because the Town Manager Committee unanimously feels that changes must be made, and soon, they will propose that a Charter Commission be elected at the next Annual Election so that a new Charter can be presented and voted upon at the following Town Election in November, 1971.

In order for a Charter Commission to be established, a Petition must be signed by at least fifteen percent of the registered voters of the Town requesting the election of a Charter Commission. At the present time, members of the Town Manager Committee are circulating such Petitions and

## Plans April Bridal



KAREN ANNE RATCLIFFE

Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Ratcliffe of Homer St., Feeding Hills, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Karen Anne, to Mr. Raymond R. Wilcox of Enfield, Conn. An April 18th wedding is planned.

Miss Ratcliffe, a graduate of Agawam High School and Andover Institute of Business is employed by United Air Lines, Bradley Field, Windsor Locks, Conn.

Mr. Wilcox, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wilcox of Rocky Hill, Conn., graduated from Wethersfield High School and Ward Technical Institute. He is presently attending the University of Hartford and employed by Pratt and Whitney Aircraft, East Hartford, Conn.

hope to obtain a large number of signatures prior to the time they give their report to the Town Meeting. Furthermore, the Petitions will be available during the Town Meeting so that they can be signed by interested voters and all members of the Committee will have forms available at their homes for those who might wish to sign them.

It is expected that simple signatures will be obtained and that the Town will be asked to establish a Charter Commission during the fall elections. If the vote is favorable, nine people from the Town at large will be simultaneously elected as members of the Commission and all eight members of the present Town Manager Committee have indicated a willingness to run for the Charter Commission so that their study and experience can be put to use. They are Selectman George L. Reynolds, Town Moderator David M. Marshall, and Precinct Members James P. Kane, C. William Hall, Barbara Skolnick, Joseph A. Cancelliere, Francis G. Capitanio and Julian L. Miodowski.

## Valley Church Public Smorgasbord Sat.

The Friendly Circle of the Valley Community Church will serve a public Smorgasbord on March 21, in Dunn Community Hall of the Church in Feeding Hills. Sitings will be continuous from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Tickets for adults are \$2, children 6 to 12 years old 99c and tots free.

The menu will consist of: roast beef, baked ham, browned hash, meat balls, baked ravioli, Maine style baked beans, macaroni and cheese, assorted gelatin salads, tossed salad, deviled eggs, cottage cheese, pickles and olives, potato salad, rolls and butter, coffee, tea or milk and hot fudge sundae.

Make your reservations early and bring along a friend. Reservations can be made with Mrs. Gilbert Bowden, 788-0105, Mrs. Charles Ritter, 788-6890 or the church office, 734-7754.

Pity the poor clergyman who bought a used car and then found he didn't have the vocabulary to run it.

## Catholic Women's Club To Hold "April Fool Party"

"April Fool Party" sponsored by the Catholic Women's Club of Agawam will be held in St. John's Hall, Agawam, on Wednesday evening, April 1 at 8 o'clock, which will be a parish event of the season; all proceeds will be for the benefit of the Church Building Fund. Tickets \$1.00 each, are limited to two hundred in number.

The Ways and Means Committee will be in charge, with Mrs. Patrick Vassallo, chairman, and Mrs. Alfred Gallerani, co-chairman. They will be assisted by committee members:

Mrs. Charles Beshaw, Mrs. Joseph Caramazza, Mrs. Edmund Colby, Mrs. James Consolini, Mrs. Philip DeForge, Mrs. Norbert DeMont, Mrs. Thomas Fern, Mrs. Roland Filiault, Mrs. Kenneth Foote, Mrs. Albert French, Mrs. Oscar Guidetti, Mrs. Bernard Horniak, Mrs. Guy Jediny, Mrs. Edmund Jenks, Mrs. Stephen Labun, Mrs. Stanley Lipski, Mrs. Victor Moreno, Mrs. J. Paul Morin, Mrs. Robert Morin, Miss Frances Pedulla, Mrs. Louis Pedulla, Miss Rose Pedulla, Mrs. Louis Plante, Mrs. John Polopek, Mrs. Donald Sorel and Mrs. William Simpson assisting. Mrs. James Consolini is in charge of refreshments. Mrs. Roland Filiault and Mrs. J. Paul Morin are in charge of prizes.

## Parks, Playground & Recreation

JACK KUNASEK, Director

A very important meeting of all church, civic and private groups who would like to enter a team in the youth Baseball League 13-15 or 15-17 or the adult Slo-Pitch League are asked to attend Monday evening, April 6th at 7 at the recreation office in the Senior Citizen Center 770 Main St., or contact the office as soon as possible.

Any groups of youths who wish to join as a team must be represented by an Adult Manager or Coach.

Adult Slo-Pitch will be set up and discussed during this meeting. Because of the big response already shown, this league will accept the first 10 teams to enter. This will be a Twilight League, no weekend games.

The Recreation Dept., is seeking a man who will act as Commissioner to work along with Recreation Director . . . contact office if interested.

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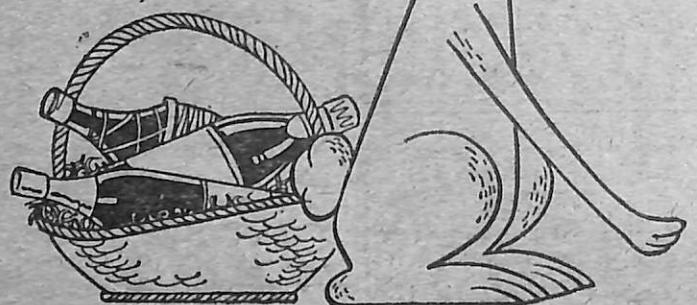
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## SPORTSMEN'S CORNER



By BILL CHIBA

The Game Section of the Mass. Division of Fisheries and Game has, through Director James M. Shepard, requested the five man Fish and Game Board to hold a regulatory hearing on possible changes in the bear hunting regulations. There has been many letters and petitions requesting such a hearing from citizen and sportsmen.

The hearing will be held April at the Boy's Club, Pittsfield, Mass. at 8 p.m. for the convenience of the majority of the people having an interest in bears in the western part of the state.

Most of the letters and interest are a result of the now famous "bear twosome" which received national attention when the Fish and Game Board, at Director James M. Shepard's request, closed the hunting season four days last fall while the bears sobered up, after eating too many fermenting apples.

Four or five bears were harvested last year and the Div. is now working closely with Dr. Joseph Larson of the University of Mass. to try to gather information on bear, feeling that we should know more about their habits in Mass. It is anticipated that a large gathering of well meaning people will attend the hearing.

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The fishing season opens April



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18, one hour before sunrise 3:59 a.m. (one minute before 4 o'clock as sunrise according to U.S. Weather Bureau's time is 4:59 a.m.).

Up to the opening of the season, some 500 truckloads of fish will be on the highways of Mass. The average truck load is around 800 lbs. to 1200 lbs. of fish and the Div. has over 400,000 lbs. of fish to ship out.

The pre-inventories and distribution list from the five state hatcheries and two U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service hatcheries will be approximately 1,220,500 trout weighing 455,200 lbs. Last year's final stocking figures was 1,003,500 trout weighing 355,000 pounds. It is important to note that pre-inventory lists are on the conservative side and the final figures are invariably higher.

Saunders Marina, Congomond, Southwick, Mass., notified this corner that their mechanic is on

8 hours per day now. Now is the time to take your outboard motor in to the Saunders shop and have it tuned up in preparation for opening day. In this business, he who waits until the last minute for his tune-up is liable to wait many days after the opening of the fishing season for his motor.

A reminder that the Agawam Sportsmen Club, Inc., is holding its annual banquet the first Tuesday in April. Police Chief Sutula of Suffield, Conn., will chef the succulent steaks delight. Mr. Roberts, president of the Club, announces that tickets are available at the clubhouse on Corey St., Agawam.

March 8, 1933 — Madam Frances Perkins became the first woman to serve in the President's Cabinet as the Secretary of Labor.

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## FISHING LINES

By DICK WOLFF

### GOURMET-FISHING THE GULF

More goes on than Super Bowls in January in New Orleans. The city's the hub of some of the finest year-round fishing in America and a favorite jumping-off point in winter for visiting fishermen. Plenty of good fresh-water fishing can be found in the nearby rivers, lakes, lagoons and marshes, and in the bays, outer passes and Gulf fabulous saltwater fishing abounds.

The Gulf is what interested Cotton Loyd and I as we travelled south out of the city to visit with friends 40 miles away in Empire. Cotton, one of the southwest's most artful anglers, and I share a passion for the flesh of the red snapper—a delectable food fish ever-present in the off-shore blue water.

Taking these fish is basically bottom fishing, and with so many surface fighters in the Gulf—like blues and spanish mackerel—we looked forward to tussling with light spinning outfits.

"Wind out of the north been kicking up the Gulf something fierce, but I hear it's turned around. Should be nice out there today," Cotton said.

As the sun was getting up our party boarded the chartered sport-fishing Bertram in Empire and we got underway. A soft, warming breeze out of the south was full in our faces as we headed out 15 miles in the distance to a cluster of oil rigs. There are hundreds of these platforms in the Gulf and they are magnets for large schools of various game fish.

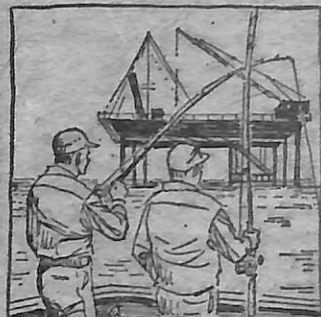
Our captain selected a red snapper hangout.

"Different rigs have different personalities... whether it be the food chain, shelter or what... rigs attract different species," he explained.

We broke out Mitchell 624 conventional reels and Conolon heavy-action 6 1/2-foot rods. We attached heavy drails to the 50-pound test Ambassador sinking Dacron line to take our live shrimp baits down 60 fathoms where we hoped red snapper were bivouacking. We met with instant success and in the next hour or so boated enough 15 and 20-pound red-eyed, pink-bodied beauties for a feast for half of Empire. There would be willing hands for what we would give away.

We moved to another rig and with Mitchell 406 spinning reels and 12-pound test Bonnyl hit into a furious school of tough-fighting 8 and 10-pound spanish mackerel. We used spoons, bucktails, Alou baits and, for kicks, a bass bug. Then the action died. We worked on blues in the early afternoon and then headed back to Empire.

That evening we gorged ourselves on Red Snapper Bouillabaisse and washed it down with a white beajolais. New Orleans again proved itself to me to be the hub of some mighty good feasting.



## Volkswagen Sales At Peak in February

BOSTON—New England Volkswagen dealers set an all-time sales record for the month of February by selling 2,139 new vehicles.

"This is a 3 per cent increase over the previous record February of 1968 in which VW dealers sold 2,083 new vehicles," R. S. Clark, general sales manager of Volkswagen Northeastern Distributor, Inc., said.

In addition to the record sales for February, Clark said that "for the first two months of 1970, VW dealers delivered more new vehicles than during any other January-February period in their history. He also noted that these same dealers increased their used car sales by 7 per cent over February 1969.

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## Pilgrim Fellowship Paper Drive Sunday

The Agawam Congregational Church Pilgrim Fellowship will conduct a paper drive Sunday, the 22nd, from 1 to 5 p.m.

Those wishing to have papers picked up call Mrs. Moore, church secretary, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday or Friday morning at 733-6888.

There will be a car wash from 10 to 4 on Saturday, the 28th, behind the Agawam Congregational Church.

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## NEWS from the Services

**N/F ST. PIERRE ABOARD USS ROBERT L. WILSON**  
USS ROBERT L. WILSON (FHTNC) — Navy Fireman Roger J. St. Pierre, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carmel St. Pierre of 15 Valentine St., Agawam, is now serving aboard the destroyer USS Robert L. Wilson with the Sixth Fleet in the Mediterranean.

**MAYO ASSIGNED AS RIFLEMAN**  
U.S. ARMY, VIETNAM (AHTNC) — Army Private First Class Gary S. Mayo, son of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Mayo, 44 Deering St., Agawam, was assigned as a rifleman with the 25th Infantry Division in Vietnam, Jan. 14.

**BOUCHARD NAMED TO COMMANDANT'S LIST**  
U. S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colo. — Cadet Daniel F. Bouchard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis F. Bouchard of 42 Mountview St., Agawam, has been named to the Commandant's List at the U. S. Air Force Academy.



DANIEL F. BOUCHARD

The cadet, a member of the class of '71, was selected for his outstanding military performance. He will wear a silver wreath designating the honor accorded him by the Academy commandant of cadets.

He has also been selected for the position of element sergeant with the rank of cadet technical sergeant.

The cadet will be commissioned a second lieutenant and awarded a B.S. degree upon his graduation from the Academy.

Cadet Bouchard is a 1967 graduate of Cathedral High School, Springfield, Mass., where he was a member of the National Honor Society.

### SGT. DAVID FREDETTE AT GRIFFISS AFB, N. Y.

ROME, N. Y. — U. S. Air Force Sergeant David M. Fredette, son of Mrs. Phyllis J. B. Fredette of 68 North Alhambra Circle, Agawam, has arrived for duty at Griffiss AFB, N. Y.

Sgt. Fredette is an administrative specialist with the 2856th Air Base Group, a unit of the Air Force Logistics Command which provides supplies and equipment for USAF units. He previously served at Johnston Island.

The sergeant, who attended Agawam High School, attended Allan Hancock Junior College. His wife, Jeanne, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Colaluca of 696 Read St., Seekonk, Mass.

Sgt. Fredette's father, Leonard A. Fredette, resides on Timber Lane, Springfield, Mass.

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## COLLEGE NEWS

Christina Maule, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bruno Maule of 81 River Road, Agawam, has been accepted as a degree candidate in the Accounting program at Northampton Junior College in Northampton. Christina is a senior at Agawam High School.

Gerald A. Alfano, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alphonse Alfano of Suffield St., has attained the Dean's List in the recent semester examinations at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, N.Y. Gerald is a member of the Junior class.

While attending Agawam High School, he was captain of Agawam High's first "Match-the-Wits" TV team and graduated with maximum honors in the class of 1968.

**WORCESTER** — George B. Bickford of 35 Elbert Rd., Agawam, is supervisor of a committee which is sponsoring a Freshman Spring Weekend, March 20 to 22, at Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

Bickford is president of the Freshman Class. This is the first time that a first-year group has tried to sponsor an entire social weekend at WPI. Robert H. Epstein of Woodmere, N.Y., is the weekend chairman.

The proposed weekend program is for a Friday night dance-concert; Saturday afternoon, freshman-sophomore basketball game; Saturday night a concert and finale to a weekend scavenger hunt; Sunday, concert by the "Prokofiev Quartet."

**NORTHAMPTON, MASS** — John Devecchi, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Devecchi of 21 Briarcliff Drive, Feeding Hills, as enrolled in the Business Management degree program at Northampton Junior College, Northampton, Mass.

Lynn Giard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo R. Giard of 22 Porter Dr., Eileen Burns, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Burns of 779 River Rd., and Diane Baker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold E. Baker of 51 Vadnais St., Agawam, all students at Bay Path Junior College, attained Dean's List standing for academic excellence. To receive this honor a student must achieve a grade point average of 3.0 or above.

### 31 Students Travel To New York Sat.

Thirty-one students from Agawam High School will travel to New York Saturday, the 21st on a combination Art-History excursion. They will tour Madison Square Garden, have lunch at an automat, see the Kodak photographic exhibit at Grand Central, visit the Guggenheim Mu-

seum, explore Rockefeller Center, have dinner at Mamma Leone's and attend the 1968 Tony Award winning musical "1776" which was just recently presented at the White House in Washington. Chaperones will be Miss Geraldine Ann Schilling and Mr. Werner Stocker of the high school faculty.

Students making the trip are: Ann Beshaw, Diane Della Pegorara, Denese Ashton, Cathy Mahoney, Claire Melanson, Debbie Pressler, Susan Plourde, Elizabeth Nunn, Paulina Mish, Linda Geiger, Roberta Greguoli, Lorraine Gregnoli, Susan Gillan, Candy Gallucci, Judy Drenowski, Debora Gougen, Susan Hamel, Cheryl Loomis, Nancy Dutton, Beth Bottaro, Ann Sappelli, James Saliba, Robert Gagnon, Tom Wyatt, Bob Fern, Charles Souliere, Russell Mattoon, Stephen Lee Feybree, Kim Cosman, Dale Bewes and James Dempsey.

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## Mr. Mrs. Club And UNICO Club Join Citizens Organization

An enthusiastic meeting of the Agawam Citizens Organization was held last Sunday evening in Valley Community Church with President Rod Blakesley presiding. Many community groups were present and two new bodies, the Mr. and Mrs. Club of Agawam Baptist Church and the UNICO Club, became members of the Citizens Organization.

Much praise was heaped upon the teen-age section for their initiative and enterprise in developing a center for themselves at the Carousel and for the outstanding success of their first dance. They are sponsoring a Pancake breakfast at the Junior High School, Sunday, April 5th from 7 to 1 and this should be supported by everyone in the Town.

The Recreation report was most encouraging. Under the leadership of Jack Kunasek and others it is to be hoped that community leaders including all Town meeting members will support the advanced program that has been offered which will go far toward making up past deficiencies in the recreation field.

A report from the Jobs Committee indicated there will be hearty support of the present program under the direction of Mr. David Skolnick at the high school and he has indicated he will welcome any help that can be given by the Citizens body and that he will think of this group as a resource on various matters in the employment field.

Treasurer Rudolph Altobelli indicated substantial support of the teen-age center in his report.

but stated there were funds on hand with which other activities might be underwritten.

It was reported that Mr. Edward Borgatti is setting up a three months program in Drug Abuse Prevention and that details of this will be made public soon. It was said that a good start had already been made in this project.

The Citizens group voted to have an annual dinner meeting in the Fall, possibly early November and will hold its next meeting on Sunday, April 12th, 7:30 p.m. at the Agawam Baptist Church.

## VWWI CARD PARTY WINNERS

The sixth and final game in the present series of Whist Parties was held last Wednesday evening in the Agawam National Guard Armory sponsored by the Veterans of World War One.

Door prize winners were Walter Haggerty, E. Cordingly, Viola Thayer and Rose Noonan. Mystery prizes were awarded to Mabel McNamara, Walter Haggerty and Henry Cole.

Ladies ace prize was won by Florence Steere and Ray Willard for the men. Series winners were Edna Landers and Harold Landers.

The following received high score prizes: Ladies — 1st Edna Landers, 2nd Rosella Nelson, 3rd Marie Boulrice, 4th Florence Panaretas; Men — 1st George Pierce, 2nd Peter Lacemark, 3rd Harold Landers, 4th Bill Duprey.

A new series started last evening in the same place . . . time . . . time . . . day . . . see you there!

The Lone Ranger and Tonto rode into a trap and found themselves surrounded by one thousand Indians on the warpath. The Indians began to charge.

"Tonto," shouted the Masked Man. "We're in bad trouble."

Tonto turned to him and snarled, "What you mean, we, pale-face?"

## PROMENADERS



Friday evening, the 20th, the Agawam Promenaders will welcome guest caller Bill Como of South Hadley Falls, Mass.

The dance will begin at 8 in the Robinson Park School on Begley St. All western style square dancers are invited and refreshments will be served.

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# V.F.W. Post 1632 Auxiliary Bulletin

By ANNA D. BISSONNETTE

Happy Birthday to Mike Dunphy on April 1, to Leo Mason on March 23 and also on this date "Bon Voyage" to Coral (CORAL NOT Carol) and Donnie Garrison who are leaving for Hawaii for two weeks. Have Fun.

PLEASE NOTE . . . President Katherine Dickinson not up to par . . .

Chairmen of the Egg Hunt have changed the childrens age limit from 12 to 8. Sorry but Mrs. Appleman said 12 year olds didn't show to much interest in this affair. The Egg Hunt starts at 2 p.m. and the child MUST be a members child. Spaghetti and meatballs will be served for 99c per person starting at 4 p.m., benefit the Kitchen Fund.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS: Volunteers Anna D. Bissonnette and Del Grazio attended the VAVS meeting, March 17, at Leeds. Hospital Chairman Bissonnette is wearing a 1,750 volunteer hour pin and hopes to better it on AWARDS NIGHT, May 19. We are still looking for volunteers.

Don't forget the St. Patrick Corned Beef Supper, Post Home, March 21 — Chairman Anna Hayes.

Poppies have been ordered and the selling date is May 2, at Riverside . . . please volunteer your time . . . Chairman Katy Dickinson and co-chairman Anna D. Bissonnette.

Past Comdr. and Past President's Night will be April 4 — more on this later.

## HOSPITAL DATES

LEEDS: March 23 — Bingo Party, Sponsored by the Disabled American Veterans of Agawam; March 24 — Concert, American

Legion Band; March 30 — Dance, American Legion Auxiliary, District #3.

THE HOLYOKE SOLDIERS HOME: April 13 — Bingo, Holyoke Soldiers Home; April 27 — Bingo, Holyoke Soldiers Home sponsored by the West Springfield Fish and Game Club.

## Boy Scout Troop #75 Court of Honor Held

Boy Scout Troop #75 of Sacred Heart Parish, Feeding Hills, held their Court of Honor banquet on Saturday evening the 7th, at 6. The full troop and their parents were in attendance along with Scoutmaster and Mrs. Dominic Attanasio, Rev. James Shea, Fire Chief and Mrs. Schneider, Scout Executive and Mrs. Bergman and various committee members and their wives.

Awards to the boys were as follows: Tenderfoot: Jeff Maynard, Daniel Kozikowski, Mark Mickey, Mark Ruddock; Second Class: Marc Raymond, James O'Brien, William Lindsay, Scott Brown, John McNamara; Star: Craig Plante; Life: Robert Liptak; Den Chiefs: William Gamelli, John Karakla, Craig Plante, William Lindsay; Merit Badge, Citizenship in the home: William Gamelli.

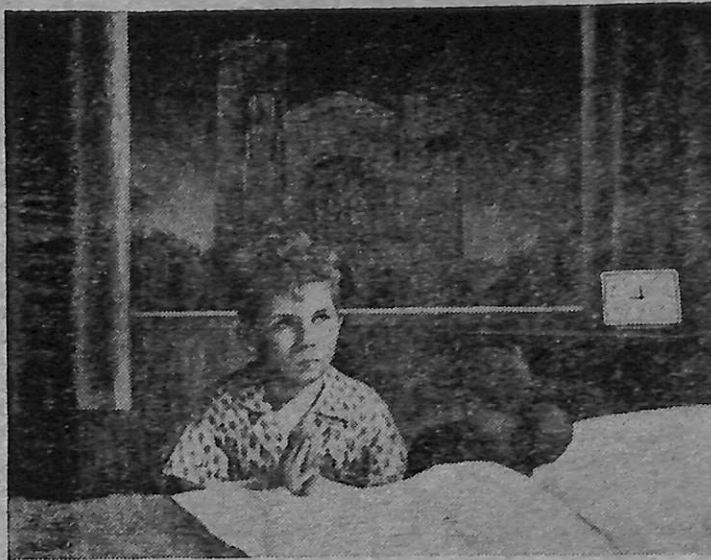
A Welcome: to Bob Watt who was transferred from California.

Mr. Joseph DiFlumera, chairman of the Troop Committee, served as Master of Ceremonies, awarded Certificates of Merit to the following committee men: Ed Plante, Raymond Fern, John McNamara, George Liptak, Dominic Attanasio, Russell Mitchell and Dr. Thomas Morrier, treasurer.

A smorgasbord supper was served by the boys mother.

God made men first because he didn't want any suggestions.

## Prayer Time at Baby Village



A part of the daily routine at Mooseheart is kneeling at bedside to say prayers before going to bed. And youngsters learn this at the earliest possible age, as can be seen in the above scene at the baby village.

## AGAWAM LODGE Loyal Order of Moose No. 1935



Time to roll . . . up your fraternal sleeves, that is and concentrate on the NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS. This is a very important time of year and the starting point for the lift-off of fraternal accomplishments.

Moose conversation these days, should dwell on three important matters and every officer and member owes it to his lodge to stress.

1. MEMBERSHIP — Take this project to "HEART" and really put your "HEART" into it by each getting a member for 1970. Membership is YOUR responsibility.

2. NOMINATIONS — This is a most important job. Nominating Committee should NOT take this lightly. Good leaders attract good followers . . . DON'T nominate a man because he's a friend. Nominate him because he'll make a good GOVERNOR or OFFICER.

3. ELECTIONS — YOUR lodge will be a better lodge if YOU elect the right officers. This is a strong three - pronged program which, if followed in full, can make YOUR Moose Lodge one of the best in the Fraternity.

At the last meeting it was voted that all the officers plus Ted Waterman, Irving Bonesteel, Bill Foley, Pete Longo and Danny Sweet were to be the nominating committee for the 1970-71 year. Committee Chairman Ted Waterman announced the Nominating Committee meetings to be every Tuesday evening at 9 at the Lodge with the final SPECIAL meeting on March 31. After this date no more names will be accepted so please get them in to him or Secty. George Perry before this date.

LITTLE BITS  
FAULT FINDING . . . Mark Twain was certainly fraternally inspired when he said: "Every man should have a fair sized cemetery in which to bury the faults of his friends."

TIPS FOR PUBLICITY

CHAIRMEN . . . The publicity chairman should work with the chairman of each committee, prepare the news releases, and then submit them to the local news media. The quickest possible way to get in trouble with the press is to have a number of officers and committee chairmen running down to the press. This leads to duplication of effort and confusion. To eliminate this and keep the press happy, the publicity chairman should co-operate with all lodge activity chairmen and handle the news.

IMPORTANT DATES  
Don't forget the big RUM-AGE SALE to be held on Sat. April 4, at Y.W.C.A. on Howard St. Springfield. Sale starts at 9 a.m. and the proceeds ar for the LODGE BUILDING FUND.

Call the lodge if you wish your articles picked up or bring them to the lodge (which we prefer) on Friday nights between 7-9 p.m.

All useable articles are needed such as: men's, women's, and childrens' clothing, blankets, dishes, knick knacks, so please bring what you have. Who knows, you may have many articles you NO longer need which may be useful to someone else.

#64 — 9 O'clock Ceremony . . . This picture, used in conjunction

with the nine o'clock ceremonies in lodges throughout the Moose Domain, is symbolic of the Children at Mooseheart saying their prayers before retiring for the night.

## Kerr Barracks #396 To Install Officers

Walter S. Kerr Barracks #396 will install officers for 1970 at their meeting Tuesday evening, the 24th at 8. The event will be held in the Agawam National Guard Armory on Maynard St.

All members are urged to attend this important meeting.

Veterans of World War One are cordially invited to attend the installation.

## Conservation Poster Winners Announced

The Agawam Junior Women's Club conservation poster contest held recently, announces the winners eligible to compete in the state wide contest, "This Land Is Your Land...Keep It Clean", theme of the contest, was opened to all 4th-6th grade students in the six elementary schools in Agawam. The purpose of the project is to advance conservation education to our youth.

Mrs. Kenneth Kubik, Conservation Chairman, awarded first prize of \$5 to Lori Cesan, 5th grade pupil at Granger School; second prize winner, Sandra Cooper, 6th grade student at Robinson Park School was awarded \$3, and Laurie LaZazera, of Robinson Park School, 6th grade pupil, was awarded the third place prize of \$2.

Winners will be announced at the Mass. State Federation of Women's Club Junior Membership Spring conference, to be held April 11th in Westwood, Mass.

Honorable mention ribbons were awarded to: Scott Granger and Pamela Alexander, Robinson Park School; Lynn Vida Moran, Phelps School; Judith Petrone, Danahy School; and Robert Papadakis, South School.

Mrs. Gelman and Mrs. Sherman, art teachers in the elementary School system supervised the poster contest. Judges were: Bill Chiba, Outdoor Editor, Agawam Independent Newspaper; Mrs. Robert Ritchie, chairman of Mountainviewers, Hampden County League and Robert Ritchie, Vice President of the Agawam Jaycees.

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